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HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ____

Introduced by: Burton

A HOUSE RESOLUTION urging compassion and support for the disabled men and women who have served or will serve in the armed forces of the United States of America.

Whereas, The Disabled American Veterans, Department of Indiana (DAV) is located in Indianapolis, Indiana;

Whereas, The Disabled American Veterans Department was organized on the twenty-second day of November 1932;

Whereas, The Disabled American Veterans Department was formed for the purpose of upholding and maintaining the constitution and laws of the United States, realizing the true American ideals and aims for which we fought, protecting and advancing the interest and welfare of all the World War



Veterans, who were wounded, gassed, injured, or disabled during or by reason of such military service, cooperating with the Veterans Administration and all other public and private agencies devoted to the cause of relieving, improving, and advancing the physical and mental conditions, cure and medical treatment, health and economic interests for all such handicapped veterans, stimulating a feeling of mutual devotion, helpfulness, and comradeship among all veterans, and encouraging in all people that spirit of tolerance and understanding that will tend to guard against future wars;

Whereas, there are 20,748 members of the Disabled American Veterans in the Hoosier State of Indiana;

Whereas, Joseph S. Carroll, Commander of the Disabled American Veterans of Indiana, was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the United States Army after graduating from Indiana University;

Whereas, Commander Carroll served as Company Commander of the 75th Transportation Company in Korea, and as Company Commander of the 264th Transportation Company in Vietnam;

Whereas, he was awarded the Army Commendation Medal for meritorious service during his tour of duty in Vietnam;

Whereas, he incurred a service connected disability during his Vietnam service and was honorably discharged with the rank of Captain in November of 1969;

Whereas, Commander Carroll continued to serve the veterans of this country, by joining the National Organization of the Disabled American Veteran as a National Service Officer Trainee at the Indianapolis National Service Office in September of 1989;

Whereas, he was promoted to supervisor of that office May of 1996, and served in that capacity until his retirement on April 19, 2002;



Whereas, Commander Carroll has traveled more than 25,000 miles in the past eight months, crisscrossing the state, seeing and listening firsthand to the plight of disabled veterans in the State of Indiana;

Whereas, Commander Carroll helped orchestrate the Department's annual "Homeless Veterans Thanksgiving and Christmas" dinners, which was held at Tyndall Armory in Indianapolis, Indiana, in which over 1,200 homeless veterans were served; and

Whereas, Commander Carroll has authorized funds for six new DAV hospital vans to transport Indiana veterans to Veterans Administration Hospitals;

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives of the Indiana General Assembly honor Commander Joseph S. Carroll for his involvement in the Disabled American Veterans Department.

SECTION 2. The Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to Donald Peek.

